AMENDING CHAPTER 34 OF THE CITY CODE ALLOWING QUALIFIED DISABLED CUSTOMERS WHO RECEIVE FEDERAL SUPPLEMENAL SECURITY INCOME AN ADDITIONAL TEN (10) DAYS PRIOR TO THE IMPOSITION OF A PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM (SAWS).

WHEREAS, disabled individuals who qualify receive Supplemental Security Income from the Social Security Administrative Offices; and

WHEREAS, the timing of such payments by the Social Security Administration is made at the beginning of the month; and

WHEREAS, both the City of San Antonio ("City") and the San Antonio Water System ("SAWS") wish to better match the timing of the receipt of such income with the due date of SAWS' utility bills; and

WHEREAS, such adjustments will assist qualified disabled customers from being required to pay a penalty for late payments of water and/or wastewater bills; and

WHEREAS, the City and SAWS have coordinated this activity with City Public Service and the local Social Security Administration Office; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to amend Chapter 34 of the San Antonio City Code to provide for such time extension; NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby approves an amendment to Chapter 34 of the San Antonio City Code through the addition of a new subsection (Subsection c) to Section 34-304 of Chapter 34 of the City Code. Such Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as Attachment I and is on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

SECTION 2. Those provisions of Chapter 34, Water Service and Rates Article I, which are not specifically revised by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. The amendment to Chapter 34 of the City Code of the City of San Antonio as set out in Attachment I allowing for the extension of time for qualified disabled residential customers prior to the imposition of a penalty for the late payment of water and/or wastewater bills shall become effective November 1, 2004.

SECTION 4. If any part, section, paragraph, sentence, phrase or word of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, illegal, inoperative or invalid, or if any exception to or limitation upon any general provision herein contained is held to be unconstitutional, illegal, invalid or ineffective, the remainder of this ordinance shall nevertheless stand effective and valid as if it had been enacted without the portion held to be unconstitutional, illegal, invalid or ineffective.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance becomes effective on the tenth (10^{th}) day after the date of passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 14th day of October 2004.

M A Y O R EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Agenda Voting Results

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Description: An Ordinance amending Chapter 34 of the City Code allowing qualified disabled customers, who receive Federal Supplemental Security Income, an additional ten (10) days to make payment prior to the imposition of a penalty for late payment for services provided by the San Antonio Water System. [Presented by Ben Gorzell, Jr., Director, Public Utilities Office; Melissa Byrne Vossmer, Assistant City Manager]

Voter	Group	Status	Yes	No	Abstain
ROGER O. FLORES	DISTRICT 1	Not present			
JOEL WILLIAMS	DISTRICT 2		x		
RON H. SEGOVIA	DISTRICT 3		X		
RICHARD PEREZ	DISTRICT 4	Not present			
PATTI RADLE	DISTRICT 5		x		
ENRIQUE M. BARRERA	DISTRICT 6	Not present			
JULIAN CASTRO	DISTRICT 7		X		
ART A. HALL	DISTRICT 8		X		
CARROLL SCHUBERT	DISTRICT 9		Х		
CHIP HAASS	DISTRICT_10		X		
MAYOR ED GARZA	MAYOR	Not present			